GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services – AHDD&F Department - Financial irregularities and diverting the government funds by Sri T. Kalyanam, while working as Joint Director of Fisheries, at Nellore & Kurnool and now Retired – Departmental proceedings initiated under rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services(CCA)Rules, 1991 – Enquiry conducted - Charges proved – Imposing a penalty of withhold 5% of pension for a period of 2 years besides recovery of the loss of an amount to the Government exchequer of Rs. 12,69,997/- Orders - Issued.

ANIMAL HUSBANDRY DAIRY DEV. & FISHERIES (Dy&Vig.(2)) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.176 Dated:08.07.2022.

Read the following:-

1.From the Commissioner of Fisheries, A.P., Vijayawada, Letter.No.6890/A.1/ 2018, Dt. 07.01.2019.
2.G.O.Ms.No.15, AHDD & F (Fish) Dept, Dated: 11.01.2019.
3.G.O.Ms.No.16, AHDD & F (Fish) Dept, Dated: 11.01.2019.
4.From the Commissioner of Fisheries, A.P., Vijayawada, Lr.No.6890/A1/2018, Dt.07.05.2019 and 25.07.2019.
5.G.O.Rt.No.37,38 & 39, AHDD&F (Dy. &.Vig.) Dept., Dt.24.02.2020.
6.From the Commissioner of Fisheries, A.P., Vijayawada,Letter.No.6980/A.1/2018, Dated:13.08.2020.
7. G.O.Rt.No.147, AHDD&F(Dy.&Vig.) Dept., Dated:08.09.2020.
8.From Sri T. Kalyanam, Retired JDF written explanation Dated :06.10.2020.
9.From the CoF, AP., Vijayawada Lr.No.6980/A.1/2018, Dated: 03.11.2020.
10.Show cause Notice in Memo.No.77/Dy.&Vig.(2)/2019, Dated: 11.07.2021.
11.From the CoF, AP., Vijayawada Lr.No.6980/A.1/2018, Dated: 06.09.2021 along the written explanation of Sri T.Kalyanam, Retired, JDF.
12. Govt. letter. No. 77/Dy. Vig.(2)/2019, Dated:30.11.2021.
13.From the Secretary, APPSC letter No. 587/DC&C/2021, Dt. 20.04.2022.

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Whereas it was brought to the notice of the Government by the Commissioner of Fisheries, Vijayawada that certain irregularities committed by Sri T. Kalyanam, Retd., Joint Director of Fisheries for misappropriation of the Government funds in releasing the amounts towards supply of TVS Mopeds with Ice Boxes to M/s Vega TVS, in Nellore District and also diverting the funds from one scheme to another scheme in Kurnool district.

2. And whereas in the G.O.s 2nd and 3rd read above, Government initiated disciplinary action and framed the following Article of Charges against Sri T. Kalyanam, Retired JD of Fisheries for committing grave irregularities/procedural lapses for diverting the funds. Subsequently, Sri T. Kalyanam, Joint Director of Fisheries, retired from service on 31.01.2019 A.N., on attaining the age of superannuation. As the written statement of Defence submitted by charged officer was not convincing, Sri P.Koteswara Rao, Prl./Addl. DF, SIFT, Kakinada was appointed as an Enquiry Officer to conduct the regular inquiry on the charges framed (in two cases i.e. Kurnool and Nellore) against Sri T.Kalyanam, Retd., JDF, besides, appointed the presenting officers to present the case on behalf of the disciplinary authority before the IA for both cases vide reference 5th read above.

3. In the reference 6th read above, the Commissioner of Fisheries has furnished the enquiry report along with his views for initiating further action in the matter. After examine the IA report in which the inquiry officer concluded that the charges are held proved, while enclosing the said report, the CO was requested to offer his explanation

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through show-cause notice issued vide reference 7th read above. The Charged Officer Sri T. Kalyanam, Retd. JDF., has submitted his explanation and requested to drop further action against him vide reference 8th read above.

4. In the reference 9th read above, on the explanation of the CO, the Commissioner of Fisheries, among others has recommended that, the CO is responsible for recovery of the misappropriated amount of Rs.12,69,997/- in Nellore case and in respect of Kurnool case, he has stated that Sri T. Kalyanam, JDF., Kurnool has intentionally diverted the funds of Rs.1,17,19,843/- from one scheme to another scheme at his own accord and he is fully responsible for diverting of funds.

5. After examination of the findings of enquiry officer and the remarks of the Commissioner of Fisheries with reference to the explanation of the C.O, it was provisionally decided to impose a punishment of withhold 5% of pension for a period of 2 years besides recovery of the loss of an amount to the Government exchequer of Rs.12,69,997/- against Sri T.Kalyanam, Retd., JDF. Accordingly, issued a show cause notice to the CO vide reference 10th read above. The charged officer has submitted his explanation and requested to drop proposed punishment in the reference 11th read above.

6. Government after examine the same and observed that it is clearly established that there is a loss of an amount to the Govt. exchequer of Rs.12,69,997/- and also procedural lapses committed by the C.O, in the case of Nellore and also the C.O committed grave irregularities/procedural lapses for diverting the funds, in the case of Kurnool. The Commissioner of Fisheries has concluded that the C.O is responsible to recover of loss to Govt. exchequer of Rs.12,69,997/-. Therefore, the Government have decided to confirm the provisional decision i.e., to impose a punishment of withhold 5% of pension for a period of 2 years besides recovery of the loss of an amount to the Government exchequer of Rs.12,69,997/- against Sri T.Kalyanam, Retd., JDF and necessary proposals were sent to the APPSC for their concurrence vide reference 12th read above.

7. The Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission have agreed with the proposal of the Government to impose the said penalty against the Charged Officer Sri T.Kalyanam, Retd., JDF vide reference 13th read above.

8. Government after careful examination of the matter hereby impose the penalty of withhold 5% of pension for a period of 2 years besides recovery of the loss of an amount to the Government exchequer of Rs.12,69,997/- against Sri T.Kalyanam, Retd., JDF, in terms of APRP Rules, 1980 r/w APCS(CCA) Rules, 1991.

9. The Commissioner of Fisheries, AP., Vijayawada shall take necessary further action, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

DR. POONAM MALAKONDAIAH
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

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The individual through Commissioner of Fisheries, AP., Vijayawada.
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The Secretary, APPSC, Vijayawada.
The Account General, AP., Vijayawada.
The Director of Treasuries and Accounts., A.P., Vijayawada.
The District Treasury Officer, Kurnool District.
The P.S to Special Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister.
The P.S to Chief Secretary, AP Secretariat.
The P.S to Spl.C.S to Government (FAC), AHDD&F Dept.,
The OSD to Hon'ble Minister (AHDD&F).
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